Statement

Violation of present composition of UPSC

Composition of the UPSC

S.No.	Name	Past experience	Date of appointment	Date of expiry of tenure
	Chairman			
1.	Shri Jagdish Prakash Gupta	Chairman, Railway Board, Ministry of Railways	5-3-90 (AN)	2-6-92
	Members			
2.	Smt. Rose Millan Bathew Kharboli	Member, Meghalaya Public Service Commission	8-6-87	7-6-93
3.	Vice Admiral G.M. Hiranandani (Retd.)	Vice Chief of Naval Staff	13-4-89	12-4-95
4.	Shri A. Padmanbhan	IAS (TN)	17-4-89	13-12-93
5.	Shri J.A. Kalyanakrishnan	IAS (UP)	29-12-89	28-12-95
6.	Shri Harish Chandra	DG, CPWD	15-1-90	14-1-96
7.	Smt. Otima Bordia	IAS (Raj)	11-5-90	10-5-96
8.	Shri S.J.S. Chhatwal	Indian Foreign Service	14-1-91 (AN)	30.9.96
9.	Shri J.M. Qureshi	IPS (MP)	1-4-91	31-3-97
10.	Shri S.K. Misra	IAS (Haryana)	21-8-91 (AN)	21-8-97
11.	Dr. P. Selvie Das	Vice-Chancellor, University of Mysore.	Yet to join.	

Availability of medicines for the treatment of Malaria

147. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that malaria is costing lives partly due to non-availability of Primaquin as published in the Indian Expres dated 8-8-91 and if so, what are the details of the remedial steps taken thereof;

(b) whether any other alternative treatment at low cost is available for common types of malaria prevalent in the country; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that malarial parasite vectors have become resistent to pesticides and if so, whether any biological control system is available or under development?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (DR. CHINTA MOHAN): (a) to (c) To the extent information available, there is no shortage of Primaquin. This drug is obtained from W.H.O. and distributed under National Malaria Eradication

Programme of the Government of India. Generelly for the treatment of common types of Malaria, mostly Chloroquine, Amodiquine and combination of Sulfadoxine and Pyrimethamine are used and these drugs are available in plenty.

12.00 NOON

[**The Deputy Chairman** in the Chair.]

REFERENCE TO RISE IN PRICES OF ESSENTIAL COMMODITIES

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA (West Bengal): Madam, yesterday we raised the question of price rise in the form of a special mention and I had the unanimous support from the entire House and we implored the Government and requested it to make the House aware of the steps that the Government intends to take ...(*Interruptions.*) What is happening today? Government must tell us what is happening to prices; It is an ordeal...(*Interruptions*).. .. ..

श्री प्रमोद महाजन (महाराष्ट्र) : ...(व्यवधान) क्या सरकार इस पर कोई प्रतिक्रिया देगी । यह आपके कहने के बावजूद हो मैं आपसे हो कहना चाहता हूं, आखिर सरकार ने इस पर क्या एक्शन लिया है ?

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: You had promised yesterday that you shall convey the feelings of the House to the Government and you shall also impress upon the Government and the Chairman so that we are able to discuss the agony of the people, the ordeal of the people on the astounding price rise which has overtaken the country. Never before has it happened. The Government, the Congress party, had promised during the elections...

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Now, papers are to be laid.

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: ...that they would curb this rise in prices; but that has not been done... (*Interruptions*).

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: Please, just a minute.

SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY (Pondicherry): Price rise is affecting everyody; it is affecting me; it is affecting everybody. What is the price mechanism? We should discuss it thoroughly. What action the Government intends to take on price rise?

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: I completely agree with the Member on the other side. Madam, please direct the Government as the Chairperson of the House to make a statement before the House enlisting steps Government would like to take to control the prices. It is an impossible situation.

SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY (Andhra Pradesh): We have to face one reality; this is the fundamental reality; this is the harsh truth that prices have touched the sky today. People are dying of starvation. We talk of 'roti', 'kapda' aur makan. But all this is just a fiction. Nobody is satisfied. You cannot plan for an action when price rise is there. We have reduced Parliament to a farce if we do not even know what is happening to the people. The truth is, their salaries are not enough for them to survive, and prcies of essential commodities are continuously rising. There is shortage of bread; there is shortage of butter today in the capital city of the country.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: I agree with you. Let me say. I heard you. Mr. Gurudas Das Gupta made his special mention yesterday and I told him that I will convey the sense of the House to the Chairman. Everyone is concerned about price rise inside the House and outside also. Chairman has announced that there is going to be a discussion either in the form of a calling attention or a short duration discussion on this issue.